

Library Bond Act Grant Applications - Cycle 1

Individual Application Summary

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| <i>Project Name [Number]</i> | Gilroy Community Library 1011 | <i>Current Square Footage</i> | 13,100 |
| <i>Applicant</i> | Gilroy, City of | <i>Project Square Footage</i> | 52,231 |
| <i>Operating Library Jurisdiction</i> | Santa Clara County Library | <i>Service Area Population:</i> | 50,082 |
| <i>Project Type</i> | New Library | | |
| <i>Project Priority</i> | 1st | <i>Anticipated Construction Start Date:</i> | 6/1/2003 |
| <i>Joint Use Type</i> | Joint Venture | | |
| <i>Multipurpose?</i> | NO | <i>Total Project Amount</i> | \$18,750,545 |
| <i>Leased Site:</i> | NO | <i>State Grant Amount</i> | \$11,689,304 |

Bond Act Factors [California Code of Regulations Title 5, Section 19998 (a)]

| | Rated | Other |
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| <i>Urban/Rural:</i> | | [see map] |
| <i>Population Growth:</i> | | 152% |
| <i>Financial capacity of applicant to open and maintain operation of the library (new libraries only):</i> | | Yes |
| <i>Age and Condition of Existing Library:</i> | Poor Condition (= Very Good) | |
| <i>Inadequacy of the existing library in meeting needs of residents and the response of proposed project to meeting the needs:</i> | Very Good | |
| <i>Plan of Service integrates appropriate technology:</i> | Very Good | |
| <i>Appropriateness of Proposed Site:</i> | Outstanding | |
| Overall Rating: | | Very Good |

Summary of Review Panel Comments

Population Growth 151.8%

Age and Condition of Existing Facility The existing library was built in 1975 and has not been remodeled. Major deficiencies of the current facility: inadequate technology infrastructure; mechanical systems that are at the end of their projected lives. Also, HazMat, ADA, structural deficiencies, and health and safety issues are well documented and support total replacement of the facility (e.g., no fire alarm, security systems, prevalence of asbestos, gas service has no earthquake valves).

Needs of Residents/Response of Proposed Project to Needs The needs assessment process included a variety of methods for residents to provide input. Analysis of demographic data led to appropriate conclusions concerning library service needs.

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The plan of service demonstrates outstanding services/partnerships directed at specific population needs: adult/family/literacy, migrant camp outreach, senior outreach, services to disabled, and plans for new K-12 student services reaching out to ESL, youth at risk, children and teen homework center, delivery system directly to schools. Provides for consistent evaluation of joint venture alternative school support program through Steering Committee. The needs of K-12 students are well documented and school libraries' deficiencies noted. The Joint Venture projects are directly responsive to the needs at various age levels. The plan includes a Joint Steering Committee, which will constantly review and evaluate the programs.

The building program implements the plan of service, providing spaces for the services indicated in the plan. Spatial relationships and individual spaces are well described.

The conceptual plans adequately incorporate the requirements of the building program.

Joint use agreement: Homework Center The agreement represents a partnership between the library and school districts to provide needed services to their joint clientele.

Plan of Service Integrates Appropriate Technology Particular care is used to describe electrical and telecommunication needs in the delivery of library services. Use of video conferencing, cable TV, training and over 300 computers accessible for Internet, OPAC, word processing, literacy, curriculum related software uses are included. Plan fills gap in schools where there is very low ratio of computers to students. Access to teacher/administration, self check out, future implementation of robotic technology for sorting and check-in are included in plan.

Appropriateness of Proposed Site The selection process included community public forums, surveys, and community outreach workshops, which were televised, providing for maximum exposure of issue to residents. The library will be built on the current site, in the downtown area and will provide ample parking.

Financial Capacity The applicant has committed to the on-going operation of the completed library.